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October 1, 2020

Sent via email to: (b) (6)

Mr. Taras Lyssenko

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Dear Mr. Lyssenko,

This is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 7, 2020. Your request was received in our office on March 30, 2020, and assigned case number DON-NAVY-2020-007641. We responded to your request on May 18, 2020, seeking clarification with regard to the description of your request. You modified your request accordingly on June 12 to "Emails between Michael Wyrick and members of the staff the Naval History and Heritage Command from July 1, 2019 until May 7, 2020. Naval History and Heritage Command include Robert Neyland, Samuel Cox, Kai Bernal-Leclaire, Thomas Lundstrom, Alexis Catsambis, and Joseph Thomas."

NHHC conducted a search of their files for responsive records, to include the names specified. 166 pages of records were located as responsive to your request. Upon review of the documents, we have determined that certain personally identifiable information (e.g., names, email addresses, phone numbers) of individuals mentioned in these FOIA requests is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), since release of this information would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of their personal privacy.

Because your request is partially denied, you are advised of your right to appeal the denial of your request by writing to:

Office of the Judge Advocate General
1322 Patterson Ave SE Ste 3000
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

Your appeal must be received within ninety calendar days from the date of this letter. A copy of your initial request and this letter must accompany the appeal. The appeal should be marked "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL" both on the envelope and

the face of the letter. In order to expedite the appellate process and ensure full consideration of your appeal, your appeal should contain a brief statement of the reasons you believe this initial decision to be in error.

In this instance, the fees associated with processing your request were below the minimum threshold and have not been assessed. Please be advised, however, that fees, fee categories, and fee waivers are determined on a case-by-case basis; a previous determination has no influence on future determinations.

For this determination, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from either the DoD Navy Component FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Chris Julka, at: Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, via phone: (703) 697-0031; or by contacting the Office of Government Information Services at: (<https://ogis.archives.gov/>), (202) 741-5770, ogis@nara.gov.

Questions regarding the action this office has taken to process your request may be directed to our FOIA Service Center at (202) 685-0412 or via email at donfoia-pa@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory Cason". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "G" and "C".

G. Cason
By direction
Deputy Director,
DON FOIA/PA Program Office